IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Peeters, Miguel

Appl. No. (to be assigned)

For: M

Method and Apparatus for Transmission Line Equalization

Confirmation No.: (to be assigned)

Art Unit: (to be assigned)

Examiner: (to be assigned)

Atty. Docket: 1875.2040001

Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to any action on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests the following changes be made:

This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In the Specification:

Please delete lines three and four on page 1, which read: "This application claims the benefit of US Provisional Application No. 60/327,608 filed 9 October 2001." and insert the following: "This application claims the benefit of US Provisional Application No. 60/327,308 filed 9 October 2001."

Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing preliminary amendment, claims 1-20 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 13, 17, and 20 being the independent claims. The specification is sought to be amended to correct a typographical error in the US Provisional Application number. This change is believed to introduce no new matter, and its entry is respectfully requested. Prompt and favorable action on the claims presented for consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the specification, lines 3 and 4, have been amended to read: This application claims the benefit of US Provisional Application No. 60/327,[6]308 filed 9 October 2001.